

Did you know? It is **illegal** to burn these materials in an outdoor fire:



Paint



Cardboard



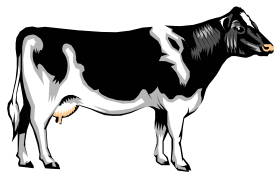
Tires



Pesticide Containers



Construction Debris



Dead Animals



Demolition Debris



Garbage



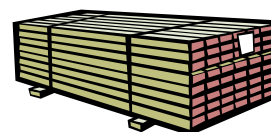
Asphalt



Plastic



Metals



Treated Wood



Paper



Petroleum Products



It is only legal to
burn natural,
unprocessed
vegetation.



For more information call Ecology:
In Central Washington (509) 575-2490
In Eastern Washington (509) 329-3400
Or visit our web site: www.ecy.wa.gov

Other things you should know before you conduct outdoor burning:

- ✓ Where residential burning is allowed, the burn pile must be less than 4' x 4' x 3' and you may burn only one pile at a time.
- ✓ No residential fires are allowed within 500 feet of forest slash.
- ✓ Burning is not the only way to dispose of natural vegetation. Consider composting & chipping.
- ✓ You are encouraged and may be required to call and follow our Burn Day hotline 1-800-406-5322. Check your burn permit.
- ✓ Only unprocessed natural vegetation may be burned.
- ✓ Burn barrels are illegal.
- ✓ Your smoke must not impact your neighbors, and you must put out your fire if it does.
- ✓ Do not leave your fire unattended.
- ✓ No fires within 50 feet of structures.
- ✓ The fire should not include materials hauled from another property.
- ✓ No outdoor fires during any air pollution episode.
- ✓ No burning after sunset, unless your permit specifically allows it.
- ✓ Always check with your local fire department for permit and safety requirements before you light any outdoor fire.
- ✓ If you see someone you think is burning illegally or if you are being impacted by smoke, call Ecology's toll free complaint line at 1-866-211-6284.



Residential and Land clearing burning are not allowed in communities with a population of 10,000 or more.

In Central and Eastern Washington that means the Urban Growth Areas (UGA) and cities of:

- ◆ College Place
- ◆ East Wenatchee
- ◆ Ellensburg
- ◆ Ephrata
- ◆ Moses Lake
- ◆ Pasco
- ◆ Pullman
- ◆ Walla Walla
- ◆ Wenatchee

Your local planning department can help you determine whether you live in one of these UGAs.

Residential burning means outdoor burning of leaves, clippings, prunings and other yard and gardening refuse from around your house. Residential burning is banned in some areas.

Land clearing burning means outdoor burning of trees, stumps, shrubbery, or other natural vegetation from land clearing projects (i.e., projects that clear the land surface so it can be developed, used for a different purpose, or left unused). Orchard tear-out burning is considered land clearing burning if the orchard or another commercial crop will not be replanted within one year. Land clearing burning is banned in some areas, and a permit is required where it is allowed.

Agricultural burning means burning vegetative debris from an agricultural operation necessary for disease or pest control, necessary for crop propagation and/or crop rotation, or where identified as a best management practice. It is illegal to burn pesticide containers. A permit is required to burn orchard trees (if the orchard or another commercial crop will be replanted), open fields, and harvest debris. Permits are not required for burning fence rows, ditch banks, windblown tumbleweeds, and annual orchard prunings.

Silvicultural burning is related to forest management and is regulated by the Dept. of Natural Resources.

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